

SUBJECT No. 485.

A forest depot at Anavatti.

Messrs. Nadiga Bhistappa, Rama Rao, and Nadig Swamy Rao, Sorab taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A forest depot may be established at Anavatti, as much loss of time and inconvenience are experienced at present by the public who are in need of timber, in having to go to the forests to get them, and wait for the arrival of the Range Officer to get the required wood stamped by him and issued. If the establishment of a depot is not possible, the forester at Anavatti may be authorised to stamp the wood to be removed by the purchasers.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Conservator of Forests.

SUBJECT No. 486.

Water-supply to Shimoga town.

(1) Messrs. S. Sitaramiah and A. Cheluviongar, Shimoga taluk; Bhaskara Rao, Shimoga District Board, and A. Narasimha Iyengar, Sagar taluk.

(2) Messrs. K. Shankaranarayan Rao and G. Chandappa, Shimoga Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—(1) Provision may be made early for supply of pipe water to houses in the Shimoga town as is done at Bangalore and Mysore. This facility is urgently called for especially in the new extension where water scarcity is keenly felt.

(2) The public do not derive much benefit from the present system of water-supply at Shimoga, as the number of taps provided for the town is very limited and as the taps do not serve the thickly populated portions of the town properly. The number of taps may be increased and house connection provided for early.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration.

SUBJECT No. 487.

The Shimoga Water Works Department.

Mr. S. R. Balakrishna Rao, Shimoga Municipality.

Summary of discussion.—The Water Works Department may be moved to attend to the requisitions of the Municipality, particularly regarding house connections at an early date. The department may also be required not to incur any expenditure without the previous sanction of the Municipal Board. There was no pressing necessity for this department to put up a telephone communication between the pumping station and the main balancing tank, a distance of barely a mile and a half.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 488.

Water-supply to Shikarpur town.

(a) Messrs. Bhavani Rao and Sanganabasappa, and Ramani Channaveerappa, Shikarpur taluk.

(b) Mr. Vitalemurthyachar, Shikarpur taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(a) The town of Shikarpur which contains a population of 5,000 has always been suffering from scarcity of water. The project of pumping water from the Kummudvati river for supply to the town through pipes has been under consideration for some years, but has not been disposed of. Half the cost may be sanctioned as a grant from State Funds and the remaining half debited to the municipality as already agreed to by the Municipal Board.

(b) The project of water-supply to the Shikarpur town may be kindly sanctioned early, and one-third of the cost sanctioned as a grant from State Funds. Of the remaining two-thirds, one-half will be readily defrayed

by the municipality and the townspeople and the balance may be sanctioned as a loan to the municipality. A scheme for water-supply from the Kūmudwati river would perhaps be cheaper than sinking a number of wells here and there which are of doubtful results.

Reply of Government.—Under consideration in the Public Works Department.

SUBJECT No. 489.

A Local Fund dispensary and a midwife for Santebennur.

Mr. Nadig Bheema Rao, Channagiri taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The nearest dispensary from this place is situated at a distance of 18 miles. The hospital assistant at Channagiri used to pay weekly visits to Santebennur originally, but this has ceased for some years past. Till a dispensary is established here, the weekly visits of the Sub-Assistant Surgeon at Channagiri may be revived.

Reply of Government.—Will be considered.

SUBJECT No. 490.

A Local Fund dispensary and a midwife for Anavatti.

Messrs. Bhaska Rao, Shimoga District Board, and Nadig Bhistappa, Rama Rao and Nadig Swami Rao, Sorab taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The present *vaidyasala* at Anavatti may be abolished and a Local Fund dispensary established in lieu of it and a midwife also posted to Anavatti, as medical aid is not available near at hand in that frontier place.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the District Board.

SUBJECT No. 491.

A Local Fund dispensary at Hunchadakatte.

Messrs. B. Venkatasubbannachar, Agumbi Rama Rao, Thammaya Bhatta, and Ramanna Gowda, Tirthahalli taluk.

Summary of discussion.—A Local Fund dispensary may be established at Hunchadakatte.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

SUBJECT No. 492.

A Local Fund dispensary at Karur.

Mr. Yagayyana Krishnappa, Sagar taluk.

Summary of discussion.—The present *vaidyasala* at Karur may be replaced by a Local Fund dispensary, and the Sub-Assistant Surgeon posted to the place may be required to pay regular visits to the villages adjoining the ghauts and to Arlagodu and Talaguppa. Such an arrangement appears to exist in portions of the Madras Presidency.

Reply of Government.—Will be referred to the Senior Surgeon.

SUBJECT No. 493.

Completion of the Shimoga-Hole-Honnur road.

Mr. S. Sitaramiah, Shimoga taluk.

Summary of discussion.—This road has been laid for a distance of 7 miles. Work for the last one mile has not been started although its urgency has been repeatedly urged on the attention of the authorities. As journey on this portion of the road is very difficult, especially in the rainy season, steps may be taken early for the completion of the road.

Reply of Government.—The work will be taken up during the current year.